

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1 of the specification, delete the title, "PHOTOMETRIC ANALYSIS APPARATUS WITH AUTOMATIC LOADING" and replace with the following new title:

METHOD OF OPERATING A PHOTOMETRIC ANALYSIS APPARATUS

On page 1 of the specification, immediately after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/553,277, filed April 20, 2000, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein. --

On a new page 18 of the specification, immediately following the claims, please insert the following paragraph:

-- ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to the field of photometric analysis, particularly to photometric analysis apparatuses which use disk-shaped rotors, in which the rotors are loaded automatically. --